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DATA FOR OCTOBER 1986

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Source: Unemployment Insurance Quarterly Summary

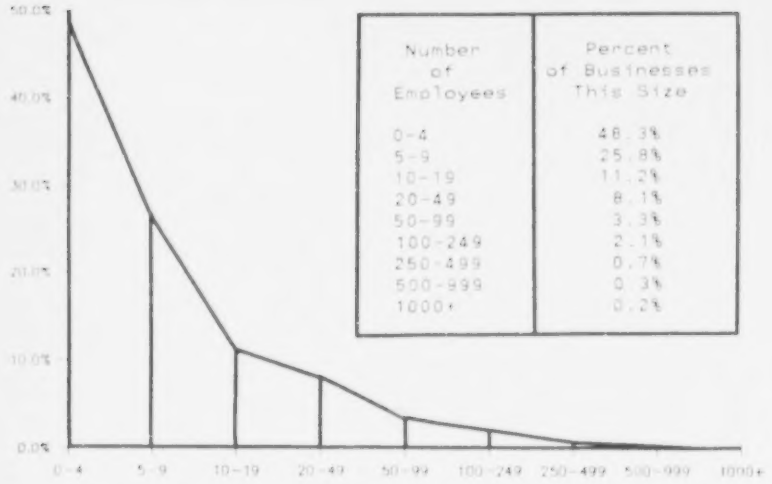
EMPLOYMENT GROWTH BY SIZE OF FIRM

Between March 1984 and March 1986, total covered employment rose by 119,291, a 7.1 percent increase. Among businesses with fewer than 9 workers, the rate of employment growth was 6.8 percent. Businesses with between 10 and 49 workers grew by 10.3 percent while businesses with between 50 and 100 workers grew by 11.4 percent. The rate of employment growth was 5.3 percent for businesses with more than 100 workers.

EMPLOYERS BY SIZE OF FIRM

The typical Tennessee business is small in size. Among firms with employees covered by unemployment insurance, 85% employ 19 people or fewer.

The percentage of firms in Tennessee according to the number of employees is as follows:

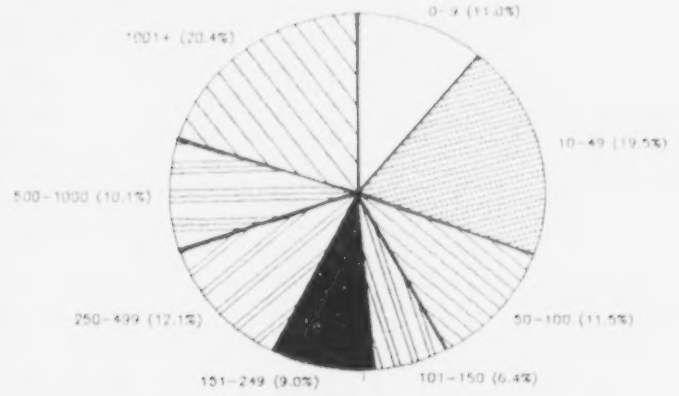


Number of Employees	Percent of Businesses This Size
0-4	48.3%
5-9	25.8%
10-19	11.2%
20-49	8.1%
50-99	3.3%
100-249	2.1%
250-499	0.7%
500-999	0.3%
1000+	0.2%

EMPLOYMENT BY SIZE OF FIRM

On the the basis of employment, 43% work in firms of 250 employees or more.

The percentage of total employment in Tennessee by size of firm is as follows:



Source: Unemployment Insurance Quarterly Summary
Quarter ending March 31, 1986

COUNTIES RANKED BY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

COUNTY	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	RANK	COUNTY	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	RANK
ANDERSON	6.3	17	LAUDERDALE	7.6	36-37
BEDFORD	9.1	57	LAWRENCE	20.0	94
BENTON	11.9	78	LEWIS	19.1	93
BLEDSOE	7.2	29	LINCOLN	11.1	74
BLOUNT	6.0	55-56	LOUDON	7.1	27-28
BRADLEY	7.4	31-33	MACON	8.7	51-52
CAMPBELL	14.1	89	MADISON	7.7	38
CANNON	8.7	51-52	MARION	10.1	65-67
CARROLL	8.9	54	MARSHALL	7.4	31-33
CARTER	7.5	34-35	MAURY	7.0	24-26
CHEATHAM	3.4	2	MCMINN	7.8	39
CHESTER	6.5	21-23	MCNAIRY	12.8	84-86
CLAIBORNE	7.9	40-41	MEIGS	8.2	46
CLAY	4.8	6	MONROE	8.5	50
COCKE	11.4	75	MONTGOMERY	9.3	59
COFFEE	7.0	24-26	MOORE	4.1	4
CROCKETT	8.8	53	MORGAN	11.0	73
CUMBERLAND	9.2	58	OBION	7.3	30
DAVIDSON	4.2	5	OVERTON	10.7	71
DECATUR	17.2	90	PERRY	17.4	91
DEKALB	12.1	79-81	PICKETT	22.7	95
DICKSON	6.4	18-20	POLK	13.0	64
DYER	9.0	55-56	PUTNAM	7.0	24-26
FAYETTE	7.4	31-33	RHEA	8.0	43-45
FENTRESS	12.8	84-86	ROANE	7.1	27-28
FRANKLIN	6.9	21-23	ROBERTSON	5.0	7-9
GIBSON	10.1	65-67	RUTHERFORD	5.5	11
GILES	11.5	76	SCOTT	18.7	92
GRAINGER	8.0	43-45	SEQUATCHIE	8.3	47-49
GREENE	9.6	61	SEVIER	12.5	83
GRUNDY	10.1	65-67	SHELBY	5.4	18-20
HAMBLEN	9.9	62-63	SMITH	5.1	10
HAMILTON	5.9	15	STEWART	5.7	22
HANCOCK	10.3	69	SULLIVAN	5.7	14
HARDEMAN	8.3	47-49	SUMNER	5.2	16
HARDIN	10.5	70	TIPTON	8.3	47-49
HAWKINS	7.9	40-42	TROUSDALE	4.0	3
HAYWOOD	10.9	72	UNICOI	9.5	60
HENDERSON	11.7	77	UNION	5.6	12-13
HENRY	9.9	62-63	VAN BUREN	12.2	82
HICKMAN	7.9	35-37	WARREN	10.2	68
HOUSTON	12.1	79-81	WASHINGTON	6.4	18-20
HUMPHREYS	12.8	84-86	WAYNE	13.2	87
JACKSON	7.9	40-42	WEAKLEY	5.0	7-9
JEFFERSON	7.5	34-35	WHITE	13.7	88
JOHNSON	12.1	79-81	WILLIAMSON	2.4	1
KNOX	5.3	12-13	WILSON	5.0	7-9
LAKE	8.0	43-45			

ANNUAL AVERAGE PAY FOR 1984 AND 1985

AREA	ANNUAL AVERAGE PAY IN 1984	ANNUAL AVERAGE PAY IN 1985	PERCENT CHANGE IN PAY 1984 TO 1985
TENNESSEE	$16,217	$16,987	4.7%
ANDERSON	22,307	21,461	-2.5%
BEDFORD	14,149	14,730	4.1%
BENTON	11,853	12,558	6.0%
BLEDSOE	11,609	11,730	1.0%
BLOUNT	17,503	18,064	3.2%
BRADLEY	15,013	16,038	6.8%
CAMPBELL	12,151	12,714	4.6%
CANNON	11,619	11,937	2.7%
CARROLL	10,558	11,478	8.7%
CARTER	13,087	13,295	1.6%
CHEATHAM	14,330	15,765	9.6%
CHESTER	11,470	12,588	9.3%
CLAIBORNE	11,867	11,919	0.4%
CLAY	10,279	11,024	7.2%
COCKE	12,195	12,758	4.7%
COFFEE	17,016	18,070	6.2%
CROCKETT	11,522	12,158	5.4%
CUMBERLAND	13,106	13,351	1.9%
DAVIDSON	17,472	18,357	5.1%
DECATUR	10,625	11,607	9.2%
DEKALB	11,488	11,320	-1.5%
DICKSON	13,216	13,847	4.8%
DYER	15,425	15,808	2.5%
FAYETTE	12,195	12,968	6.3%
FENTRESS	9,258	9,910	7.0%
FRANKLIN	12,180	12,920	6.1%
GIBSON	13,773	14,416	4.5%
GILES	14,367	14,337	-0.2%
GREENE	10,713	11,188	4.4%
GRAINGER	13,380	13,823	3.3%
GRUNDY	9,461	10,034	6.1%
HAMBLEN	15,042	15,525	3.2%
HAMILTON	16,933	17,564	3.8%
HANCOCK	9,981	10,535	6.6%
HARDEMAN	12,184	13,102	7.5%
HARDIN	13,178	13,518	2.5%
HAWKINS	15,785	15,926	7.2%
HAYWOOD	12,154	12,879	6.0%
HENDERSON	11,748	12,343	5.1%
HENRY	14,387	14,518	0.9%
HICKMAN	11,855	12,592	6.2%
HOUSTON	12,177	12,500	2.7%
HUMPHREYS	19,814	20,294	2.4%
JACKSON	10,811	11,132	3.0%
JEFFERSON	13,593	13,898	2.2%
JOHNSON	10,871	11,422	5.1%
KNOX	15,393	15,829	4.0%
LAKE	8,815	10,468	18.8%
LAUDERDALE	12,648	13,402	6.0%
LAWRENCE	15,139	14,878	-1.7%
LEWIS	12,684	12,919	1.9%
LINCOLN	12,280	12,718	3.6%
LOUDON	14,230	15,125	6.3%
MCMINN	16,248	16,860	3.8%
MCNAIRY	11,887	13,054	9.8%
MACON	11,331	11,503	1.5%
MADISON	14,952	15,812	5.8%
MARION	15,167	16,058	5.9%
MARSHALL	14,517	15,162	4.4%
MAURY	15,878	16,426	3.5%
MEIGS	13,447	13,874	3.2%
MONROE	10,275	11,472	11.7%
MONTGOMERY	13,924	14,595	4.8%
MOORE	17,221	17,956	4.3%
MORGAN	11,339	12,109	6.8%
OBION	18,207	18,691	2.7%
OVERTON	9,890	10,392	5.1%
PERRY	11,094	11,220	1.1%
PICKETT	9,735	9,897	1.7%
POLK	15,393	16,292	1.9%
PUTNAM	13,786	13,704	-0.6%
RHEA	18,633	19,299	3.6%
ROANE	17,544	21,462	22.3%
ROBERTSON	12,900	13,467	4.4%
RUTHERFORD	17,414	18,721	7.5%
SCOTT	13,139	13,202	0.5%
SEQUATCHIE	10,454	11,253	5.7%
SEVIER	10,869	11,098	2.1%
SHELBY	17,805	18,571	4.9%
SMITH	12,262	13,443	9.5%
STEWART	16,099	16,181	0.5%
SULLIVAN	18,331	19,770	7.9%
SUMNER	14,946	15,319	2.5%
TIPTON	12,911	13,113	4.0%
TROUSDALE	11,708	11,868	1.4%
UNICOI	15,222	14,677	-3.8%
UNION	11,659	12,177	4.4%
VAN BUREN	11,611	12,942	11.5%
WARREN	13,329	13,863	4.0%
WASHINGTON	14,685	15,223	3.7%
WAYNE	10,928	11,107	1.6%
WEAKLEY	12,037	12,366	2.7%
WHITE	12,384	12,680	2.4%
WILLIAMSON	15,094	16,327	8.2%
WILSON	14,349	14,875	3.7%

Source: Annual Pay Levels in Metropolitan Areas, 1985
U.S. Department of Labor

TENNESSEE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

	October 1985				Revised September 1986				Preliminary October 1986			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemploy.	Rate
U. S. 1/	116,346,000	108,428,000	7,917,000	6.8	118,244,000	110,229,000	8,015,000	6.8	118,699,000	110,857,000	7,842,000	6.6
TENNESSEE 2/	2,290,500	2,127,700	162,800	7.1	2,322,600	2,160,200	162,400	7.0	2,333,900	2,167,600	166,300	7.1
MSAs												
CHATTANOOGA	205,900	192,300	13,600	6.6	203,800	191,300	12,500	6.1	206,000	193,300	12,700	6.2
JOHNSON CITY, KINGSPORT, AND BRISTOL	213,400	199,800	13,600	6.4	213,800	200,300	13,500	6.3	213,900	200,200	13,700	6.4
KNOXVILLE	271,600	253,900	17,700	6.5	277,800	259,400	18,400	6.6	279,700	260,400	19,300	6.9
MEMPHIS	424,900	397,800	27,100	6.4	430,500	403,500	27,000	6.3	430,600	402,700	27,900	6.5
NASHVILLE	496,500	475,500	21,000	4.2	500,700	477,500	23,200	4.6	503,200	480,300	22,900	4.6

1/ Error range for these estimates is plus or minus 0.2 percentage points.
2/ Error range for these estimates cannot be computed.

SEASONAL INCREASE IN THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Tennessee's October unemployment rate of 7.1 percent followed the 10-year average increase of one-tenth of a percentage point. Employment increased by 7,400 over the previous month and by 39,900 over the year.

The unemployment rate increased in 43 counties, decreased in 46 counties, and remained constant in six counties. Williamson county's unemployment rate of 2.4 percent remained the lowest county rate. The highest rate was in Pickett County at 22.7 percent, followed by Lawrence County with 20.0 percent and Lewis County with 19.1 percent.

Record employment levels for October include:

Total Nonagricultural Employment	1,976,300
Transportation Equipment	33,000
Nonmanufacturing	1,487,900
Trade	475,100
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	56,200
Retail Trade	349,200
Services	405,100
Local Government	188,700

Manufacturing production workers in Tennessee worked an average of 41.1 hours a week, earned an average hourly wage of $8.63, and were paid an average weekly salary of $354.69 during October 1986. The average hourly earnings increased by 2 cents over the month and by 28 cents over the year.

STATEWIDE

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In thousands) *

INDUSTRY	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986	Net Change Oct. 1985 to Oct. 1986	Net Change Sept. 1986 to Oct. 1986
TOTAL	1895.2	1965.9	1976.3	+81.1	+11.4
Manufacturing	485.1	489.8	488.6	+3.5	-1.2
Durable Goods	236.9	240.6	239.8	+2.9	-0.8
Lumber & Wood Products	18.6	20.3	20.4	+1.8	+0.1
Furniture & Fixtures	24.0	26.3	26.0	+2.0	-0.3
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	14.9	13.9	13.8	-1.1	-0.1
Primary Metal Industries	17.7	17.0	17.0	-0.7	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	37.3	38.0	37.8	+0.5	-0.2
Machinery, Except Electrical	35.9	36.6	36.1	+0.2	-0.5
Electrical & Electronic Machinery	37.3	36.1	36.1	-1.2	0.0
Transportation Equipment	31.8	32.7	33.0	+1.2	+0.3
Instruments & Related Products	9.4	9.2	9.2	-0.2	0.0
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	10.8	10.4	10.4	-0.2	0.0
Nondurable Goods	248.2	249.2	248.8	+0.6	-0.4
Food & Kindred Products	38.7	40.8	40.4	+1.7	-0.2
Meat Products	7.2	8.6	8.3	+0.6	-0.3
Dairy Products	3.2	3.2	3.2	0.0	0.0
Tobacco Manufactures	1.6	1.4	1.4	-0.2	0.0
Textile Mill Products	22.1	22.1	22.2	+0.1	+0.1
Knitting Mills	10.8	10.8	10.8	0.0	0.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	2.1	2.2	2.2	+0.1	0.0
Apparel Products	62.8	62.2	61.9	-0.9	-0.3
Paper & Allied Products	18.4	18.2	18.2	-0.2	0.0
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Indus.	29.8	30.8	30.8	+1.0	0.0
Chemicals & Allied Products	38.6	39.1	38.8	+0.2	-0.3
Petroleum Refining & Related Indus.	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.0	-0.1
Rubber & Miscellaneous Plastics	24.1	23.9	24.0	-0.1	+0.1
Leather & Leather Products	11.0	10.1	10.0	-1.0	-0.1
Nonmanufacturing	1410.1	1476.1	1487.9	+77.8	+11.8
Mining	7.8	6.8	6.9	-0.9	+0.1
Construction	88.3	89.5	91.0	+2.7	+1.5
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	93.5	92.8	93.9	+0.4	+1.1
Trade	450.3	474.7	475.1	+24.8	+0.4
Wholesale Trade	118.9	125.9	125.9	+7.0	0.0
Wholesale Durable Goods	66.6	69.8	69.7	+3.1	-0.1
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	52.3	56.1	56.2	+3.9	+0.1
Retail Trade	331.4	348.8	349.2	+17.8	+0.4
Bldg. Materials & Garden Supp.	13.3	13.5	13.4	+0.1	-0.1
Retail General Merchandise	46.9	49.3	50.0	+3.1	+0.7
Food Stores	53.9	60.0	60.1	+6.2	+0.1
Automotive Dlrs. & Serv. Stations	39.2	40.2	39.9	+0.7	-0.3
Apparel & Accessory Stores	18.1	18.0	18.2	-0.1	+0.2
Furn. & Home Furnishings	12.2	11.7	11.6	-0.6	-0.1
Eating & Drinking Places	109.2	115.8	115.4	+6.2	-0.4
Miscellaneous Retail	38.9	40.3	40.8	+1.9	+0.5
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	90.5	91.4	90.7	+0.2	-0.7
Banking	27.1	26.7	26.8	-0.3	+0.1
Insurance Carriers	21.9	22.5	22.5	+0.6	0.0
Services	369.1	400.1	405.1	+36.0	+5.0
Hotels & other Lodging	26.8	26.0	25.8	-1.0	-0.2
Personal Services	25.0	27.4	28.0	+3.0	+0.6
Business Services	68.7	72.2	71.9	+3.2	-0.3
Health Services	120.6	133.0	134.3	+13.7	+1.3
Hospitals	62.2	70.6	71.4	+9.2	+0.8
Government	312.6	319.8	325.2	+12.6	+5.4
Federal	59.4	62.0	62.8	+3.4	+0.8
State & Local	253.2	257.2	262.4	+9.2	+5.2
State	71.0	70.6	73.7	+2.7	+3.1
Local	182.2	186.6	188.7	+6.5	+2.1

*Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

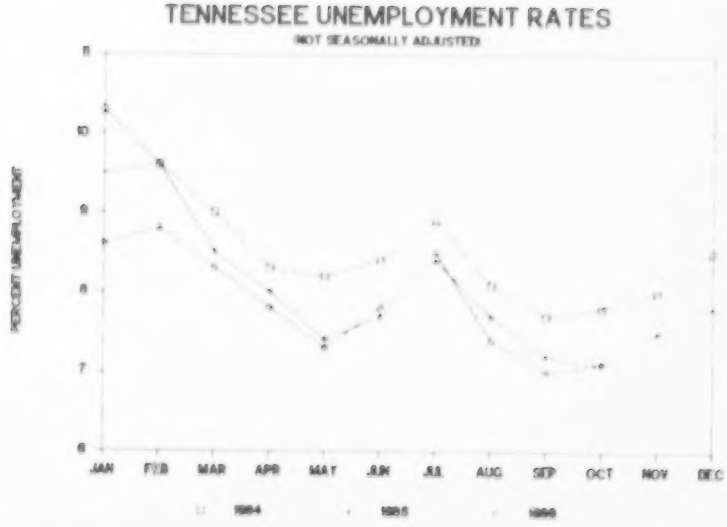
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986 through September 30, 1986

	TOTAL	FEMALE	NON-WHITE	VETERAN
New Applications	60,589	30,440	13,575	6,676
Testing	2,773	1,992	734	285
Placed in Training	2,819	1,473	1,724	151
Nonagricultural Placement	26,639	12,174	7,883	1,642
Counseling	1,145	525	412	365

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986
All Manufacturing	342.35	353.87	354.69	41.0	41.1	41.1	8.35	8.61	8.63
Durable Goods	359.68	377.98	377.24	41.2	41.4	41.5	8.73	9.13	9.09
Lumber & Wood Products	224.40	241.13	242.67	39.3	40.8	41.2	5.71	5.91	5.89
Furniture & Fixtures	285.52	297.41	297.63	39.6	40.3	40.7	7.21	7.22	7.19
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	502.19	502.64	505.08	46.2	44.6	44.5	10.87	11.27	11.35
Primary Metal Industries	444.05	501.78	468.77	41.5	43.9	43.1	10.70	11.43	10.83
Fabricated Metal Products	386.40	392.92	386.40	42.0	41.1	41.2	9.20	9.56	9.29
Machinery	341.96	356.79	357.88	41.3	41.2	40.9	8.28	8.66	8.75
Instruments & Related Prod.	354.89	360.71	364.42	42.4	41.7	41.6	8.37	8.65	8.76
Nondurable Goods	323.97	328.86	331.70	40.7	40.7	40.7	7.96	8.08	8.15
Food & Kindred Products	314.77	341.14	314.77	40.2	41.2	40.7	7.83	8.28	8.29
Textile Mill Products	261.91	278.81	280.69	41.3	41.8	42.4	6.39	6.67	6.62
Apparel Products	194.91	203.04	203.84	37.7	37.6	38.1	5.17	5.40	5.35
Paper & Allied Products	432.98	467.72	466.66	42.7	44.0	43.9	10.14	10.63	10.63
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	444.03	449.11	443.30	41.0	41.7	40.3	10.83	10.77	11.00
Rubber & Misc. Plastics	405.14	388.57	421.95	43.1	42.7	43.5	9.40	9.10	9.70
Leather & Leather Products	229.12	246.51	241.76	39.3	41.5	40.7	5.83	5.94	5.94



NONMANUFACTURING JOBS IN TENNESSEE

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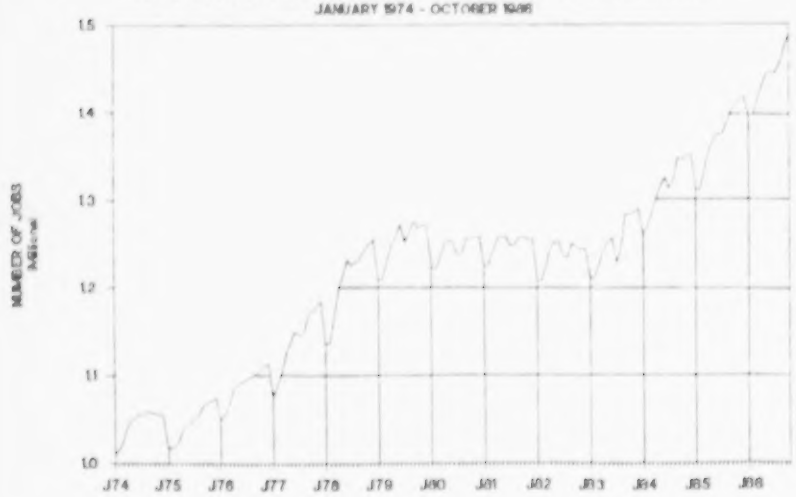

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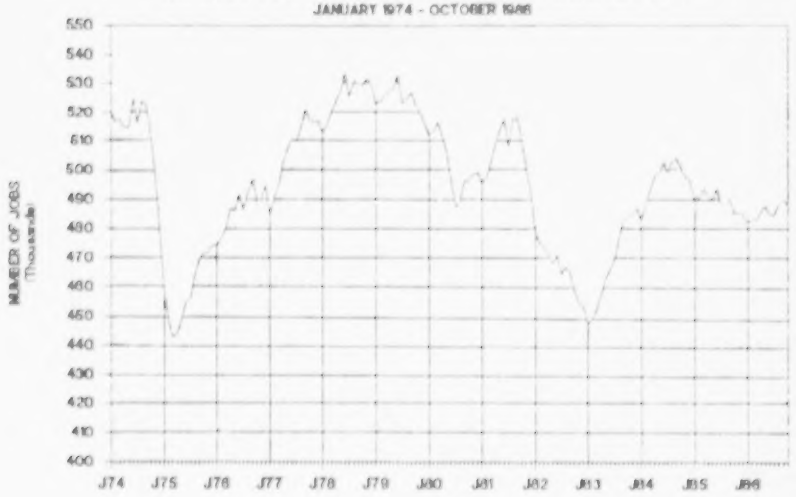


STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

STATE BENEFIT PROGRAM

CLAIMS	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986
Initial Claims	33,682	34,181	30,782
Continued Weeks Claimed	163,431	161,197	138,021
Nonmonetary Determination	3,169	2,694	2,889
Appeals Decisions	1,009	843	1,135
Lower Authority	824	664	944
Higher Authority	183	179	191
Hearings-Other States	2	0	0
BENEFITS			
Amount Paid	$13,628,000	$12,905,848	$11,681,431
Benefit Weeks Paid	144,351	142,648	121,678
Average Weekly Benefit Amount	$ 93	$ 94	$ 94
First Payments	10,417	10,491	8,422
Final Payments	3,527	3,332	3,102
Average Weeks Duration	12	12	12
Trust Fund Balance	$363,893,373	$414,299,401	$418,985,191

FEDERAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS

	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986
FORMER FEDERAL EMPLOYEES:			
Benefits Paid	$457,644	$465,660	$396,824
Benefit Weeks Paid	2,972	2,752	2,615
Initial Claims	869	418	538
Continued Weeks Claimed	3,489	3,017	2,987
Appeals Decisions	12	9	19
FORMER MILITARY PERSONNEL:			
Benefits Paid	$193,675	$211,950	$176,320
Benefits Weeks Paid	1,646	1,720	1,408
Initial Claims	356	220	233
Continued Weeks Claimed	1,920	1,911	1,535
Appeals Decisions	1	4	8

CHATTANOOGA MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In thousands) *

INDUSTRY	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986	Net Change Oct. 1985 to Oct. 1986	Net Change Sept. 1986 to Oct. 1986
TOTAL	182.5	179.9	180.6	-1.9	+0.7
Manufacturing	43.8	43.7	43.1	-0.7	-0.6
Durable Goods	17.6	17.0	16.3	-1.3	-0.7
Lumber & Wood Products	0.7	0.6	0.6	-0.1	0.0
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	1.5	1.7	1.7	+0.2	0.0
Primary Metal Industries	4.0	3.8	3.8	-0.2	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	4.3	4.0	3.7	-0.8	-0.3
Machinery, Except Electrical	2.3	2.2	1.8	-0.5	-0.4
All Other Durable Goods	4.4	4.7	4.7	+0.3	0.0
Nondurable Goods	26.2	26.7	26.8	+0.6	+0.1
Food & Kindred Products	6.0	6.8	6.7	+0.7	-0.1
Textile Mill Products	11.2	10.8	10.9	-0.3	+0.1
Knitting Mills	2.5	2.4	2.4	-0.1	0.0
Apparel Products	1.2	1.5	1.4	+0.2	-0.1
Paper & Allied Products	1.4	1.5	1.5	+0.1	0.0
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	2.1	2.1	2.2	+0.1	+0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	2.8	2.8	2.9	+0.1	+0.1
All Other Nondurable Goods	1.3	1.2	1.2	-0.1	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	138.6	136.2	137.5	-1.1	+1.3
Mining	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
Construction	6.5	7.3	7.5	+1.0	+0.2
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	8.1	7.9	7.9	-0.2	0.0
Trade	39.3	38.3	38.8	-0.5	+0.5
Wholesale Trade	10.1	10.1	10.2	+0.1	+0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	6.2	6.0	6.1	-0.1	+0.1
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	4.0	4.1	4.1	+0.1	0.0
Retail Trade	29.1	28.2	28.6	-0.5	+0.4
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	10.6	11.4	11.5	+0.9	+0.1
Services	42.8	39.4	39.5	-3.3	+0.1
Government	30.5	30.9	31.3	+0.8	+0.4
Federal	8.3	8.6	8.7	+0.4	+0.1
State & Local	22.2	22.3	22.6	+0.4	+0.3
State	5.0	4.8	5.0	0.0	+0.2
Local	17.2	17.5	17.5	+0.3	0.0

Includes Hamilton, Marion, and Sequatchie Counties in Tennessee and Catoosa, Dade, and Walker Counties in Georgia.

* Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Chattanooga MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.1 percent to 6.2 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 700 jobs to 180,600. An increase of 1,300 jobs in nonmanufacturing offset the decrease of 600 jobs in manufacturing. The largest decreases occurred in nonelectrical machinery (-400) due to a strike and fabricated metals (-300) due to a layoff. The largest increases occurred in government (+400) and in retail trade (+400). An increase of 500 occurred in the entire trade industry.

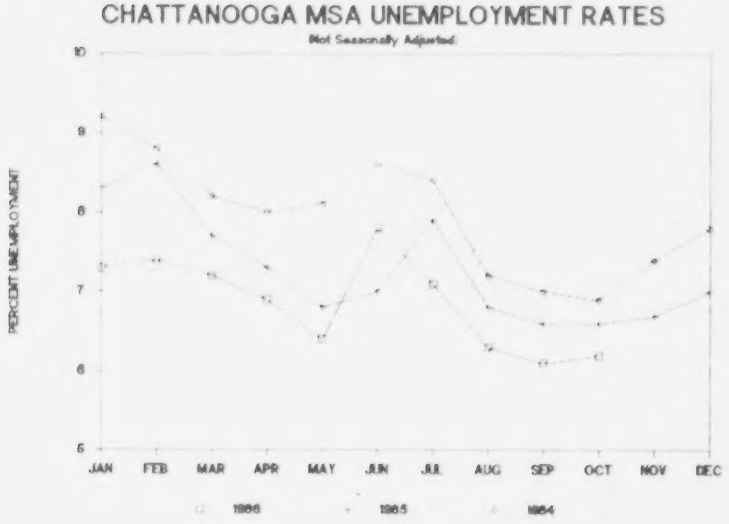
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986 through September 30, 1986

	TOTAL	FEMALE	NON-WHITE	VETERAN
New Applications	3,758	1,845	980	508
Testing	465	359	99	32
Placed in Training	1	1	1	0
Nonagricultural Placement	1,329	651	636	156
Counseling	77	25	28	24

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986
All Manufacturing	309.33	314.06	318.52	42.2	41.6	42.3	7.33	7.66	7.53
Durable Goods	355.45	360.96	337.24	44.1	41.3	40.1	8.06	8.74	8.41
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	362.44	357.63	307.46	44.2	39.0	36.3	8.20	9.17	8.47
Iron & Steel Foundries	367.28	423.45	402.19	40.9	45.0	44.1	8.98	9.41	9.12
Fabricated Metal Products	430.32	391.33	376.16	44.0	38.9	41.2	9.78	10.06	9.13
Machinery, Except Elect.	426.94	512.72	504.66	51.5	49.3	44.7	8.29	10.40	11.29
Nondurable Goods	280.03	283.27	306.51	41.0	40.7	43.6	6.83	6.96	7.03
Textile Mill Products	253.80	242.49	298.45	42.3	41.1	47.6	6.00	5.90	6.27
Knitting Mills	229.38	226.70	221.10	42.4	40.7	40.2	5.41	5.57	5.50
Paper & Allied Products	413.98	521.70	497.91	42.9	51.5	48.2	9.65	10.13	10.33
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	425.49	400.90	329.62	39.0	38.4	34.3	10.91	10.44	9.61



JOHNSON CITY, KINGSPORT AND BRISTOL MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In thousands)*

INDUSTRY	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986	Net Change Oct. 1985 to Oct. 1986	Net Change Sept. 1986 to Oct. 1986
TOTAL	153.7	153.4	153.8	+0.1	+0.4
Manufacturing	51.4	51.1	51.3	-0.1	+0.2
Durable Goods	20.5	19.4	19.7	-0.8	+0.3
Lumber & Wood Products and Furniture & Fixtures	1.7	1.7	1.8	+0.1	+0.1
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	2.2	2.1	2.0	-0.2	-0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	2.6	2.1	1.9	-0.7	+0.2
Machinery and Trans. Equipment	4.9	4.5	4.6	-0.3	+0.1
All Other Durable Goods	5.9	5.6	5.8	-0.1	0.0
Nondurable Goods	31.4	31.7	31.6	+0.2	-0.1
Food & Kindred Products	2.5	2.3	2.4	-0.1	+0.1
Textile Mill Products	2.5	2.7	2.8	+0.3	+0.1
Apparel Products	3.9	4.1	4.1	+0.2	-0.1
Paper & Allied Products and Printing, Publishing, & Allied	4.2	4.1	4.1	+0.1	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	18.3	18.4	18.2	-0.1	-0.2
Nonmanufacturing	100.8	102.3	102.5	+1.7	+0.2
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Construction	6.6	6.6	6.8	+0.2	+0.2
Trans., Communications, & Utilities	5.8	5.7	5.6	-0.2	-0.1
Trade	33.0	34.0	33.7	+0.7	-0.3
Wholesale Trade	6.1	6.0	6.1	-0.1	+0.1
Retail Trade	26.8	28.0	27.7	+0.8	-0.3
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	4.6	4.7	4.7	+0.1	0.0
Services	24.6	24.9	25.0	+0.2	+0.1
Government	26.1	27.3	27.6	+1.5	+0.3
Federal	4.0	4.1	4.0	0.0	-0.1
State & Local	22.1	23.2	23.6	+1.5	+0.4
State	5.4	5.2	5.7	+0.3	+0.5
Local	16.7	17.9	18.0	+1.3	+0.1

Includes Washington, Carter, Unicoi, Sullivan, and Hawkins Counties in Tennessee and Washington County, Scott County, and Bristol City in Virginia.

* Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Tri-Cities MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.3 percent to 6.4 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 400 jobs to 153,800. Manufacturing and nonmanufacturing both increased by 200 jobs. The largest increases occurred in government (+300), construction (+200), and fabricated metals (+200).

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

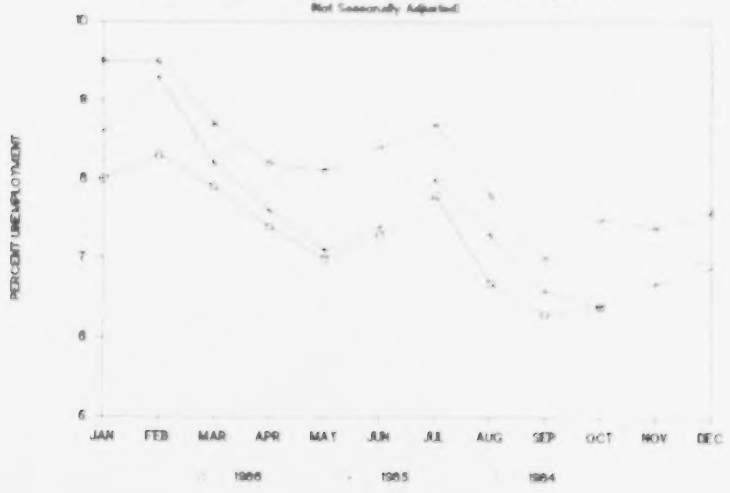
July 1, 1986 through September 30, 1986

	TOTAL	FEMALE	NON-WHITE	VETERAN
New Applications	4,996	2,485	161	506
Testing	61	51	5	0
Placed in Training	11	2	0	9
Nonagricultural Placement	2,097	933	158	259
Counseling	14	3	0	7

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986
All Manufacturing	390.10	383.18	371.69	43.2	42.2	40.8	9.03	9.08	9.11
Durable Goods	367.00	322.92	306.28	44.2	42.4	40.3	8.19	7.80	7.80
Fabricated Metal Prod.	425.48	352.38	326.30	44.0	42.0	41.2	9.67	8.39	7.92
Machinery & Trans. Equip.	384.75	319.20	291.72	45.0	40.1	37.4	8.55	7.96	7.80
Nondurable Goods	410.24	421.58	413.06	42.6	42.8	41.3	9.63	9.85	10.05
Food & Kindred Products	341.48	389.23	357.01	46.5	43.2	41.1	7.85	9.01	8.68
Apparel Products	229.77	225.79	234.52	41.4	45.8	45.1	5.55	4.93	5.20

TRI-CITIES MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



KNOXVILLE MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In Thousands)*

INDUSTRY	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986	Net Change Oct. 1985 to Oct. 1986	Net Change Sept. 1986 to Oct. 1986
TOTAL	235.4	235.4	235.7	+0.3	+0.3
Manufacturing	47.8	47.8	47.9	+0.1	+0.1
Durable Goods	27.3	27.5	27.8	+0.5	+0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	1.5	1.5	1.6	+0.1	+0.1
Furniture & Fixtures	1.9	1.7	1.7	-0.2	0.0
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete	1.6	1.5	1.5	-0.1	0.0
Machinery, Except Electrical	2.6	2.5	2.5	-0.1	0.0
All Other Durable Goods	19.8	20.3	20.5	+0.7	0.0
Nondurable Goods	20.5	20.1	20.1	-0.4	0.0
Food & Kindred Products	4.2	3.9	3.8	-0.4	-0.1
Textile Mill Products	2.9	2.9	2.9	0.0	0.0
Apparel Products	7.6	7.8	7.7	+0.1	-0.1
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	2.6	2.6	2.6	0.0	0.0
All Other Nondurable Goods	3.2	2.9	3.0	-0.2	+0.1
Nonmanufacturing	183.6	187.6	187.8	+4.2	+0.2
Mining	2.1	1.7	1.6	-0.5	-0.1
Construction	11.2	11.9	11.9	+0.7	0.0
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	8.9	8.8	8.8	-0.1	0.0
Trade	56.2	56.2	56.1	-0.1	-0.1
Wholesale Trade	13.2	13.2	13.1	-0.1	-0.1
Wholesale Durable Goods	8.8	8.6	8.6	-0.2	0.0
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	4.5	4.6	4.5	0.0	-0.1
Retail Trade	42.9	43.0	43.0	+0.1	0.0
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	8.7	8.3	8.3	-0.4	0.0
Services	48.6	50.2	50.1	+1.7	-0.6
Government	48.1	50.0	51.0	+2.9	+1.0
Federal	7.2	7.2	7.7	+0.5	0.0
State & Local	40.9	42.2	43.2	+2.3	+1.0
State	19.0	18.5	18.9	-0.1	+0.4
Local	21.9	23.7	24.4	+2.5	+0.7

Includes Anderson, Blount, Grainger, Jefferson, Knox, Sevier, and Union Counties.

* Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Knoxville MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.6 percent to 6.9 percent. Nonagricultural employment remained stable, increasing by only 300. Manufacturing increased by 100 jobs and nonmanufacturing by 200 jobs. No manufacturing industry reported a change greater than 100. In the nonmanufacturing sector, state and local government reported the largest increase of 1,000 due to the reopening of schools. Services decreased by 600 jobs due to a seasonal decrease in tourism.

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986 through September 30, 1986

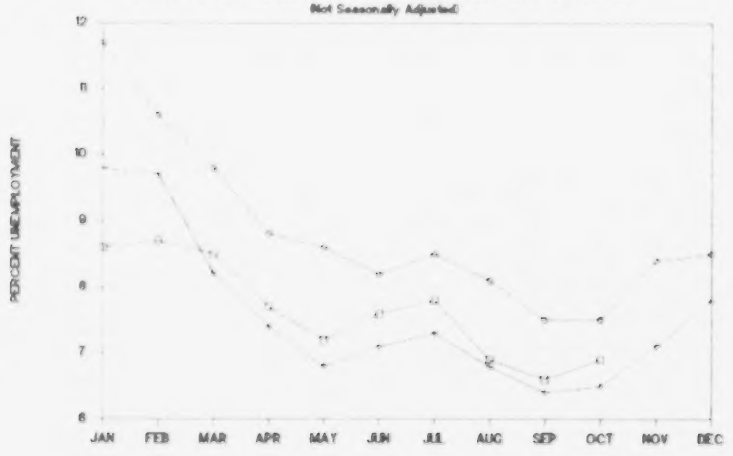
	TOTAL	FEMALE	NON-WHITE	VETERAN
New Applications	5,438	2,515	536	854
Testing	287	164	42	29
Placed in Training	12	8	1	1
Nonagricultural Placement	2,416	998	382	434
Counseling	109	50	20	40

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986
All Manufacturing	364.18	368.75	352.80	40.6	40.3	39.2	8.97	9.15	9.00
Durable Goods	440.08	441.32	412.88	40.9	40.6	39.7	10.76	10.87	10.40
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Conc.	334.90	316.03	320.63	39.4	37.4	37.5	8.50	8.45	8.55
Machinery, Except Elect.	380.38	393.55	377.17	41.8	43.2	40.6	9.10	9.11	9.29
Nondurable Goods	271.22	278.10	277.48	40.3	39.9	38.7	6.73	6.97	7.17
Food & Kindred Products	293.20	279.04	288.42	44.9	41.4	41.8	6.53	6.74	6.90
Textile Mill Products	231.42	244.86	240.53	42.0	42.0	41.4	5.51	5.83	5.81
Apparel Products	237.12	247.54	245.80	38.6	38.2	36.2	6.24	6.48	6.79

KNOXVILLE MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Not Seasonally Adjusted



MEMPHIS MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (In thousands) *

INDUSTRY	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986	Net Change Oct. 1985 to Oct. 1986	Net Change Sept. 1986 to Oct. 1986
TOTAL	388.7	391.4	392.5	+3.8	+1.1
Manufacturing	51.3	51.2	51.3	0.0	+0.1
Durable Goods	21.5	22.3	22.2	+0.7	-0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	2.6	2.8	2.8	+0.2	0.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	1.0	1.1	1.1	+0.1	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	5.1	5.0	4.9	-0.2	-0.1
Machinery, Except Electrical	3.5	3.8	3.8	+0.3	0.0
Electrical & Electronic Machinery	2.5	2.7	2.7	+0.2	0.0
All Other Durable Goods	5.8	6.0	6.0	+0.2	0.0
Nondurable Goods	29.8	28.9	29.1	-0.7	+0.2
Food & Kindred Products	8.3	7.6	7.8	-0.5	+0.2
Bakery Products	1.4	1.2	1.3	-0.1	+0.1
Apparel Products	1.9	2.0	2.0	+0.1	0.0
Paper & Allied Products	6.0	5.8	5.8	-0.2	0.0
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	4.7	4.7	4.8	+0.1	+0.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	6.6	6.5	6.4	-0.2	-0.1
All Other Nondurable Goods	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.0	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	337.4	340.2	341.2	+3.8	+1.0
Mining	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Construction	18.1	18.6	18.5	+0.4	-0.1
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	14.8	14.1	14.3	+1.5	+0.2
Trade	107.6	108.3	108.2	+0.6	-0.1
Wholesale Trade	35.2	34.9	34.7	-0.5	-0.2
Wholesale Durable Goods	21.8	21.5	21.3	-0.5	-0.2
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	13.4	13.4	13.4	0.0	0.0
Retail Trade	72.4	73.4	73.5	+1.1	+0.1
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	22.7	23.3	23.3	+0.6	0.0
Services	88.5	88.0	88.0	-0.7	0.0
Government	67.4	67.8	68.8	+1.4	+1.0
Federal	16.4	16.7	16.6	+0.2	-0.1
State & Local	51.0	51.0	52.2	+1.2	+1.2
State	13.5	13.4	13.9	+0.4	+0.5
Local	37.5	37.6	38.3	+0.8	+0.7

Includes Shelby and Tipton Counties in Tennessee and Crittendon County in Arkansas.

* Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Memphis MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.3 percent to 6.5 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 1,100 jobs to 392,500. Manufacturing increased by 100 jobs while nonmanufacturing increased by 1,000 jobs. The largest increase occurred in state and local government due to the reopening of schools.

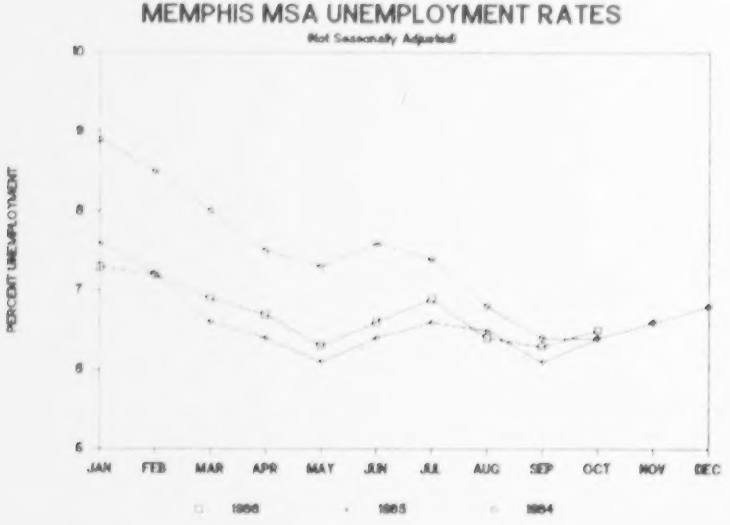
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986 through September 30, 1986

	TOTAL	FEMALE	NON-WHITE	VETERAN
New Applications	8,919	4,348	5,115	1,060
Testing	449	403	316	16
Placed in Training	199	53	173	11
Nonagricultural Placement	2,786	1,096	1,722	502
Counseling	333	220	237	61

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986
All Manufacturing	374.45	364.98	368.43	42.6	42.0	42.3	8.79	8.69	8.71
Durable Goods	340.20	342.24	342.21	42.9	42.2	42.3	7.93	8.11	8.09
Lumber & Wood Products	215.89	202.83	206.27	41.2	37.7	38.7	5.24	5.38	5.33
Furniture & Fixtures	189.46	214.49	228.34	34.7	39.5	38.9	5.46	5.43	5.87
Nondurable Goods	403.65	385.81	394.32	42.4	41.8	42.4	9.52	9.23	9.30
Food & Kindred Products	401.99	380.52	379.01	41.7	42.0	42.3	9.64	9.06	8.96
Paper & Allied Products	441.90	442.27	457.08	45.0	44.4	45.8	9.82	9.96	9.98
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	520.96	500.52	486.67	44.0	43.0	41.0	11.84	11.64	11.87



NASHVILLE MSA

ESTIMATED NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT(in thousands) *

INDUSTRY	October 1985	September 1986	October 1986	Net Change Oct. 1985 to Oct. 1986	Net Change Sept. 1986 to Oct. 1986
TOTAL	435.1	435.1	438.2	+3.0	+3.1
Manufacturing	91.6	90.2	90.3	-1.3	+0.1
Durable Goods	52.6	51.0	50.7	-1.9	-0.3
Lumber & Wood Products	3.1	3.0	3.0	-0.1	0.0
Furniture & Fixtures	4.6	4.9	4.9	+0.3	0.0
Fabricated Metal Products	5.1	5.0	5.0	-0.1	0.0
Machinery	10.3	10.4	10.3	0.0	-0.1
Transportation Equipment	14.3	14.0	14.3	0.0	+0.3
All Other Durable Goods	15.2	13.7	13.2	-2.0	-0.5
Nondurable Goods	39.0	39.2	39.6	+0.6	+0.4
Food & Kindred Products	6.9	7.1	7.3	+0.4	+0.2
Textile Mill Products	1.7	1.8	1.8	+0.1	0.0
Apparel Products	4.9	5.1	5.0	+0.1	-0.1
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	12.5	12.0	12.1	-0.4	+0.1
Petroleum and Rubber	4.1	4.4	4.5	+0.4	+0.1
Leather & Leather Products	2.8	2.9	2.8	0.0	-0.1
All Other Nondurable Goods	6.1	6.0	6.1	0.0	+0.1
Nonmanufacturing	343.5	344.9	347.9	+4.4	+3.0
Mining	0.9	0.8	0.8	-0.1	0.0
Construction	25.6	26.4	27.3	+1.7	+0.9
Trans., Communication, & Utilities	21.9	21.8	21.9	0.0	+0.1
Trade	104.3	105.2	106.4	+2.1	+1.2
Wholesale Trade	27.8	27.5	27.8	0.0	+0.3
Wholesale Durable Goods	17.1	17.4	17.5	+0.4	+0.1
Wholesale Nondurable Goods	10.7	10.1	10.3	-0.4	+0.2
Retail Trade	76.5	77.7	78.6	+2.1	+0.9
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	29.9	29.8	29.9	0.0	+0.1
Services & Miscellaneous	99.2	99.2	101.2	+2.0	+2.0
Government	61.7	61.8	62.7	+1.0	+0.9
Federal	9.3	9.5	9.5	+0.2	0.0
State & Local	52.4	52.3	53.2	+0.8	+0.9
State	20.8	20.8	21.1	+0.3	+0.3
Local	31.6	31.4	31.9	+0.5	+0.5

Includes Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson counties.

* Data includes all full and part-time nonagricultural wage and salary employees who worked during, or received pay for, any part of the pay week which includes the 12th of the month. This is a count of jobs by place of work. Agricultural workers, proprietors, self-employed persons, workers in private households, and unpaid family workers are excluded.

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

The Nashville MSA unemployment rate remained unchanged at 4.6 percent. Nonagricultural employment increased by 3,100 jobs to 438,200. Manufacturing increased by 100 jobs while nonmanufacturing increased by 3,000 jobs. The largest increases occurred in services (+2,000), construction (+900), and government (+900).

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ACTIVITIES

July 1, 1986 throgh September 30, 1986

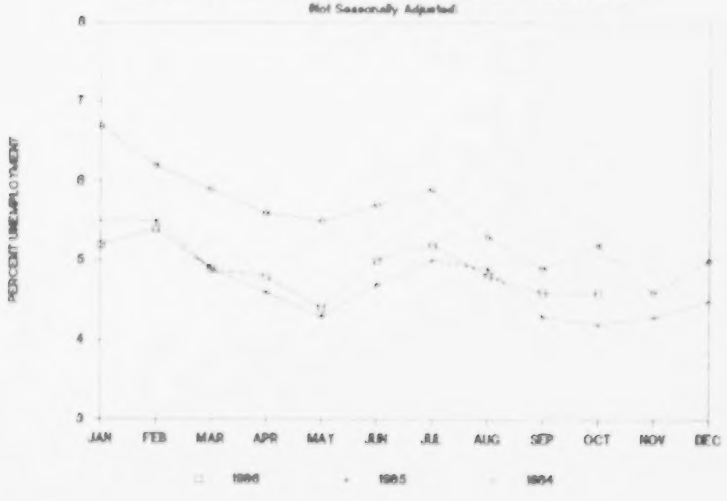
	TOTAL	FEMALE	NON-WHITE	VETERAN
New Applications	10,580	5,250	2,835	1,073
Testing	313	126	81	73
Placed in Training	386	264	231	24
Nonagricultural Placement	5,222	2,244	2,157	667
Counseling	194	71	55	54

HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986	Oct. 1985	Sept. 1986	Oct. 1986
All Manufacturing	368.00	386.17	397.44	40.0	40.5	41.1	9.20	9.54	9.67
Durable Goods	380.63	408.91	421.83	39.2	39.7	40.6	9.71	10.30	10.39
Nondurable Goods	345.67	349.65	357.83	41.2	41.9	41.9	8.39	8.34	8.54
Food & Kindred Products	312.66	388.03	385.06	38.6	42.5	41.9	8.10	9.13	9.19
Printing & Publishing	421.61	416.64	416.48	43.2	42.0	41.4	9.76	9.92	10.06

NASHVILLE MSA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Not Seasonally Adjusted



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